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METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA VIRUS DISEASE BY USING THE RECOMBINANT CAPSID PROTEIN VIRUS (P26)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of June 28, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 2 as follows:

(amended) A recombinant protein consisting of SEQ

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Amend claim 6 as follows:

--- (amended) A reagent kit comprising a protein

, according to claim 1,-